CALLED COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 19, 2020 MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: CECIL THOMPSON, BOB DIXON, LOYD MOBLEY, RAYMOND TURNER AND GREG JOHNSON

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT: NICK OVERSTREET – CITY MANAGER, BILL BEDINGFIELD, FINANCE DIRECTOR/CITY CLERK, JUSTIN FRANKLIN – CITY ATTORNEY

MAYOR PRO TEM TURNER BROUGHT THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION - BOB DIXON

AGENDA

- 1. Republic Contract Extension- Mr. Overstreet presented the contract extension for Republic Services which is up for renewal. He stated that Republic was not asking for an increase in pricing and stated that all services would remain the same. The contract is for a five-year extension, but they indicated that they would accept a three-year contract with two one year extensions. City Attorney Franklin has reviewed the contract and states that it actually allows for the City or Republic to opt out annually if so desired. He also recommended that the City offer the three year with two one year extensions. A motion was made by Councilman Mobley to approve the contract as recommended by City Attorney Franklin. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson. The vote was unanimous.
- 2. Fencing for The Stage at City Park Mr. Overstreet presented the plans and samples of fencing for the Stage at City Park that the Council had asked him to bring back to them at the meeting held on May 11, 2020. After much discussion the Council asked Mr. Overstreet to get some alternate bids on changing the number of brick columns in the proposal. The original plan shows the columns being placed every six feet. The Council feels that this could be widened without changing the esthetics of the fence thus saving some funds. Mr. Overstreet stated he would call the contractor and get the alternate bids as soon as possible.
- 3. Employee Agreement Brian Scott Justin Franklin presented an agreement that the Council had instructed him to draw up so that the City can allow Brian Scott to return to work. The contract is for six months and will allow Brian Scott to serve as the City's Police Commissioner during that period. The Council along with City Manager Overstreet expressed their support for Mr. Scott and fully expect him to manage the Police Department while awaiting the disposition of his case. Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve the contract. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dixon. The vote was unanimous. Mr. Overstreet stated that he would meet with the command staff in the morning to make sure they are fully aware of the Council's expectations of Mr. Scott in managing the department.
- 4. Sensus Hand Held Readers for the Water Department Mr. Bedingfield informed the Council that the three hand held meter reading devices are in need of replacement. The current ones were purchased in 2014 and are not working properly. One of these has stopped working altogether, and the new ones requested will provided added features that should make us more efficient in getting the correct readings. The cost to replace these is \$16,485.00 and if approved would come from the equipment line item in SPLOST. A motion was made by Councilman Dixon to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Councilman Mobley. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Councilman Johnson to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson. The vote was unanimous.

Raymond Turner, Mayor Pro Tem

William E Bedingfield, City Clerk

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